LOG OF MEETING

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SUBJECT: Meeting with the Cosmetic, Toiletry, and Fragrance Association (CTFA) and others to discuss issues related to the Commission's PPPA rulemaking on low-viscosity hydrocarbons.

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COMMISSION ATTENDERS:

Commissioner Thomas H. Moore Michael Gougisha, Counselor to Commissioner Moore Suzanne Barone, Ph.D. Project Manager for Poison Prevention Pasty Semple, Special Assistant to Commissioner Mary S. Gall Walter Sanders, Counselor to Chairman Anne Brown

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDERS:

Catherine Beckley, Associate General Counsel, CTFA
Mary Martha McNamara, Attorney at Law
Dr. Richard Kingston, Vice President Senior Clinical Toxicologist, Intl. Poison Center
Marjorie B. McTernan, Director, Regulatory Affairs, Johnson & Johnson
Stephen D. Gettings, Director of Clinical Evaluation & Regulatory Affairs, Avon
Suman Wason, M.D., Medical Director Children's Hospital Medical Center

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

The meeting was held to provide all in attendance the opportunity to discuss issues of concern to the CTFA and others related to the Commission's PPPA rulemaking on special packaging for low-viscosity hydrocarbons. Primary was the issue of whether mineral oil containing cosmetics as sold in their current containers pose a serious risk of injury or illness to children and thereby should be required to be packaged in child-resistant packaging.

After introductions, Commissioner Moore opened the meeting by welcoming all in attendance and indicated his appreciation for the time that all dedicated to assisting the Commission with its rulemaking efforts. Mary Martha McNamara then gave a brief summary of why the meeting was requested and what would be the respective contributions of those in attendance.

Catherine Beckley then gave a brief summary of CTFA's pass efforts to voluntarily work with the Commission when there was a clear indication that a product posed a risk of injury or illness to children. Marjorie McTernan spoke of Johnson & Johnson's voluntary compliance action with respect to its fluoride-containing product, ACT. The emphasis was on the actions taken when there was clear evidence that a problem existed. Both raised issues with the need to take action with respect to mineral oil based cosmetic products. Both gave support for the need of a rule with respect to products regulated under the FHSA but questioned the need for regulating those products that come under the FDCA.

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Stephen Getting discussed issues related to the chemical differences of mineral oil based products and why those differences lead to less hazardous products. Dr. Wason and Dr. Kingston spoke about the lack of incident data related to ingestions and aspiration of mineral oil based products. Dr. Wason also pointed out that mineral oil aspiration produces a different type of pulmonary effect than does aspiration of other low viscosity hydrocarbons. In addition, Dr. Kingston indicated that he was in general agreement with the Commission staff's criteria for regulating low viscosity hydrocarbon but thought that an exemption for mineral oil based cosmetic products should be considered.

The meeting ended with the CTFA group reemphasizing their position that they support the rulemaking as it relates to household chemical products. However, they oppose the rulemaking as it relates to mineral oil-containing cosmetic and personal care products.